

**CLAYTON COUNTY OBSERVES  
EXISTING INDUSTRY MONTH  
DECEMBER 2013**

- WHEREAS:** Clayton County has a long history of attracting major corporate investment in the county's identified core industry clusters of transportation and logistics, food and beverage processing and manufacturing, aviation and aerospace, and chemical manufacturing; and
- WHEREAS:** The existing industries and companies in Clayton County provide local revenue and considerable contributions to our families and communities that improve the overall quality of life; and
- WHEREAS:** Clayton County and the Department of Economic Development are committed to the retention and expansion of our core existing industries and have identified International Paper as one of our leading partners and contributors; and
- WHEREAS:** International Paper is a global leader in the paper and packaging industry with manufacturing operations in North America, Europe, Latin America, Asia, and North Africa. Their businesses include industrial and consumer packaging, fluff pulp, and uncoated papers; and
- WHEREAS:** International Paper employs approximately 70,000 people worldwide and is strategically located in more than 24 countries. International Paper's Forest Park Container Plant is responsible for industrial packaging and has been a long-standing major employer in Clayton County for decades; and
- WHEREAS:** International Paper's vision is to be one of the best and most respected companies in the world. They support the Clayton County community where their employees live and work and are proud of the hundreds of local sponsorships they have established at their facilities; and
- WHEREAS:** Clayton County is pleased to have a thriving community of industries that include businesses such as International Paper to support the local economy and provide essential employment opportunities; now
- THEREFORE:** I, JEFFREY E. TURNER, Chairman, on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim December 2013 as **Existing Industry Month** in Clayton County, Georgia. I encourage all citizens to join me in acknowledging International Paper for their significant contributions to the community and the economic benefits they provide to our citizens.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia, to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year two thousand thirteen.

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Jeffrey E. Turner, Chairman